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TRINDADE ISLAND, PYØT



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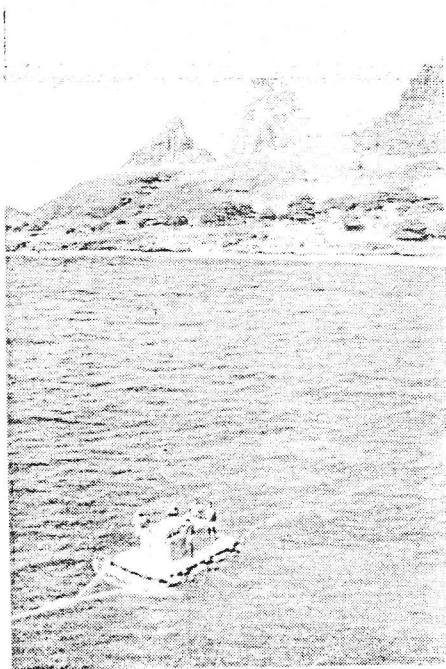
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The islands of Trindade and Martin Vaz are located some 1500k east of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. It is mostly peaks rising up 400 to 600 meters. Vegetation is scarce but as darkness approaches, thousands of crabs leave their sand holes in pursuit of food.

The island is manned by the Brazilian Navy for oceanographic purposes. Normally they have 42 men stationed there and of course all visits to the island must be by their approval.

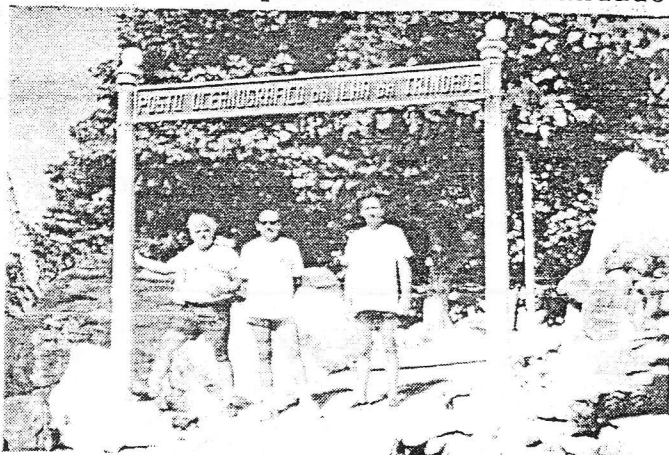
Landing on the island isn't the easiest thing in the world to do since there is no port or other anchorage for docking. Landing with light weight boats is dangerous because of the 2 to 4 meter waves and something a bit larger must be used. We constructed a cargo carrier (barge) as seen in the photo. Movement was by ropes from the ship on one side and to the island on the other. Speed was no faster than you could pull the rope. Hi Hi. The trip was 25 minutes from the boat to the island. And then again and again..

We would like to boast of the first RTTY operation from Trindade!



All QSLs to:

Natal DX Group
Caixa Postal 385
59001 Natal, RN
Brazil, SA



The trip to the island was on a troop transport vessel "Ary Parreiras" (sounds a bit like that bad fish they have) with Capt. Sampaio de Aleida in command who also is an amateur himself, PY1CDJ. The operators were,

ZYØTF	Carlos	PS7WB	Natal DX Grp.
ZYØTK	Karl	PS7KM	" " "
ZYØTR	Ronaldo	PY1BVY	CWRJ Group

We worked all continents and the propagation was a little above average. It was necessary to operate split and some interference was encountered, which we assume that most was intentional.

73 Karl PS7KM

W S D X C

If you haven't heard of the West Siberia DX Club, you will soon. It is the first DX club formed in the USSR. One of our fellow members, Gena Kolmakov, UA9MA is the Vice President.



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They already have an awards program covering 6 types; AOA, WAWS, U-PX-A, U-1,000,000-C, PX-9-A and WSA. For complete info

about the awards, write to: Serge Kruglov, UA9MC, POB 836, 644099 Omsk, USSR. I have read the requirements and you will work for these.

INDEXA has teamed up with Gena and the group for some vy gd DX in the near future. Two complete stations has been shipped for their use. To make things a little easier for Gena, all equipment was sent to Regis, F6HUJ for testing and pick up. All arrangements are complete for transportation of the equipment.

The reason you will hear from the WSDXC soon is because from 1989 to 1991 they have plans for 3W(XV), XW, 70, ET and so forth. It has taken many hours and many letters to reach this point in the operation. True, we will supply the rigs but you must give all the credit to the WSDXC who has taken giant steps from the beginning.

This new group fits very well with the ideals and goals of INDEXA and can be summed up by a comment by UA9MA in a recent letter, "We as amateurs strive for an unhated planet, regardless of economic and political systems, and when any of us anywhere evolve, the entire world flourishes".

Victor, RB7GG is planning to start a DX bulletin and we have gladly furnished a copy of ours to aid in their format. Good luck..

MEMBER SERVICE: Phil, VS6CT, our man in Hong Kong has arranged to have rubber stamps made as shown for members. It has ur call and member #. If interested, pse make sure to state ur # & call. If you are a life member, add that also. The cost is \$15 cash or \$16 if by cheque (all USD). Make sure you type or print your information so as to avoid errors. Phil has been trying to move to another flat for some time but he has his problems and is still at the same address. The cost covers postage and you should expect a 4 to 6 week turnaround after he receives ur request. Send to: Phil Weaver, 10A Bonaventure House, 91 Leighton Road, Hong Kong.

CORRECTIONS: The last issue gave Al's (NC on east coast) as N3CBM and should have been N3CBH. Our vice Director was listed as DJ9SC and should be DL9SC.

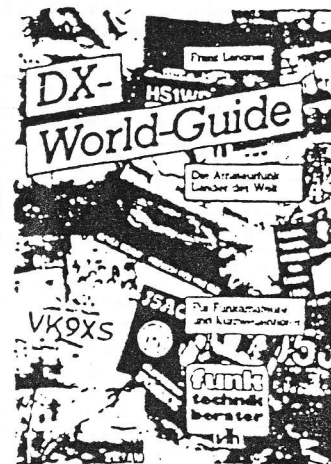
As stated before, we are not in the bulletin business and it shows. However, we do quite well as supporting amateurs with info on the net and sending equipment to where-ever it will do the best for all amateurs worldwide.



Franz Langner, DJ9ZB, besides going to all the rare spots on the globe for us has taken a few years of hard work to yet again give us something new that will make life for a DXer a bit easier.

He has compiled the "DX World-Guide". It has any info you need to know about every country, including maps, deleted calls, sample QSLs, area info, most needed rank etc. It has a QSL type area on each page so you can keep ur own record. Its all in there and it sports gloss paper also. I have one myself and it is over 18 oz of total information that beforehand was contained in 3 or 4 different areas.

The cost is DM 42. or about \$25 USD and can be ordered from : Verlag fur Technik, Handwerk GmbH, Postfach 1128, 7570 Baden-Baden, W Germany



INDEXA HAPPENINGS:

John, WA2CMX was active with our support from FO,ZK1,3D2,VS6 and XX in Aug and Sept. Hopefully John encountered no problems on his trip and we will have more on it in the next issue.

INDEXA got involved with "Kay" Sakai, (JH1ORL-JG3LZG-N6LYB) on his DXpedition to 5W1HA, JH1ORL/AH8, A35AS and ZK1XD. All QSLs go via DJ9ZB and he is still complaining about the number of cards required for the operation. It appeared that Kay did not sleep much but used all his time on the air.



Here is Scotty, W7SW while operating as VK9YT. Who says there is no interest in amateur radio in a small spot in the middle of nowhere. The shack visitor is "Naome" who came by to see where the RFI in the coconuts was coming from. It would take vy little encouragement for Scotty to return.



A new tribander was shipped for use at SØRASD after a wind storm made his impossible to repair. He is quite active and shouldn't be hard to work.

We have been asked to provide some support to the HA group who will bring 3W back up after some time off the air. Our tnx to the group. More later on this.

DX coordination has been made easier by the fine assistance now given by some oldtimers. Jacques, F2YS/W2 is passing info faster than we can take care of it and Regis, F6HUJ and Pierre, F6HIZ takes over in France to handle all equipment shipping and everything else they didn't know that goes with the job ! tnx fellows..

:: Note to all members :: The next time you renew, if u can use a few stuffers in your envelopes, let us know. We need to spread the word in order to grow.

PSE, when the el-sickos appear on the net, don't encourage them by responding.

INDEXA 1988-89 BALLOT

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